GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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HOMELESS WOMEN
Paraste Shri Dalpat Singh

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has sought information regarding the number of homeless women in the country, State-wise;

(b) the number of rehabilitation centres for them, State-wise;

(c) whether the present number of rehabilitation centres are sufficient;

(d) if not, whether the Union Government proposes to increase such centres with the co-operation of State/Voluntary agencies; and

(e) if so, the details of action in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY)

(a) : No, Sir.

(b) : Government has sanctioned Swadhar Homes and Short Stay Homes which provide rehabilitation. A state-wise list of such homes is given in the annual report of the Ministry of Women and Child Development which is also available on the web site www.wcd.nic.in.

(c) to (e) : To cater to the homeless women, the Ministry is continuously engaged in sanctioning more such shelter homes through States/Voluntary agencies.